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Ken Dodd's DIDDYMEN

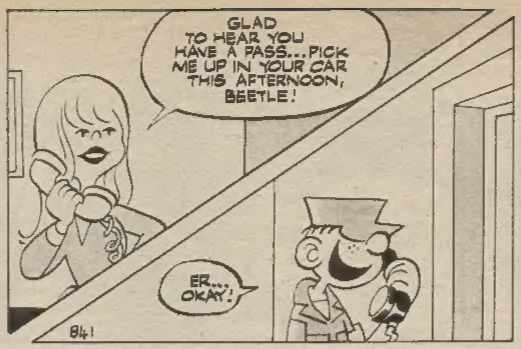
WATCH CAREFULLY LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE'RE EXPECTING A SPECTACULAR FINISH TO THIS EVENT... THE WAY HAMISH IS HEADING FOR THAT POST HE'LL WIND UP IN TWO PARTS AND BE FIRST AND SECOND!
WE'RE TRYING TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE ST. BERNARD'S STRAY DOGS' HOME!
SKI JUMP
OCH, AARGH!
FINISH
I FIND THIS SLEDGE-HAMMER HELPS ME TO WIN SLEDGE RACES! HEH! HEH!
I'M A BIT HUSKY THIS MORNING!
COUGH! COUGH!
TWO DAYS BEFORE THEY ORGANISED THEIR WINTER SPORTS, THE DIDDYMEN VISITED THE ST. BERNARD'S HOME...
THESE DOGS NEED A WARM HOME... THEY'RE LIVING LIKE ANIMALS!
SHIVER
DON'T WORRY, WE'RE HOLDING A WINTER SPORTS TO RAISE MONEY SO THAT YOU CAN HAVE IT REPAIRED!
IT'S VERY NICE OF YOU TO TRY AND RAISE MONEY FOR US... WE NEED IT BADLY!
YES WE DO... VERY BADLY INDEED!

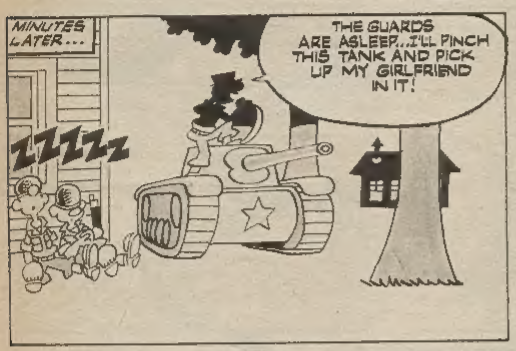
More of this "paw" tail on page two!

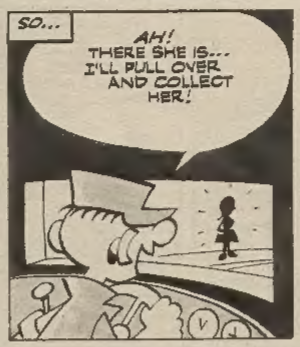
SO WITH THE PLIGHT OF THE DOGS IN THEIR MINDS, THE DIDDYMEN DO ALL THEY CAN TO MAKE THE SPORTS A SUCCESS...
GAD, TRY TO SMILE, MICK.. WE'RE DOING THIS TO EARN MONEY FOR THOSE DOGS.. GET THE POINT?
I CAN'T WATCH THESE JESTERS JOUSTING!
PHEW! THAT CAT WAS A BIT OF LUCK!
BOO! HISS! BOO!
AT THE END OF THE DAY...
HE! HE! NOW WE CAN AFFORD TO PATCH UP THE DOG'S HOME!
WE'LL GIVE THEM A LIFE OF LUXURY AND BUILD A POOCHES' PALACE!
THE DOG'S' HOME IS SOON FINISHED...
WHAT A SUPER PLACE, THE ST. BERNARD'S WILL BE HAPPY HERE!
CANINE TIMES
THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE.. WE HAVE EVERYTHING WE WANT!
YES WE HAVE, BUT WE CAN ALWAYS DO WITH A LITTLE MORE! HEH! HEH!
FAREWELL.. WE'RE HEADING BACK ACROSS THE SNOW TO KNOTTY ASH!
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING!
BOW! BOW!.. ER, I MEAN.. BYE BYE!
WE'RE LOST AND A BLIZZARD IS SETTING IN.. WE'RE DOOMED!
LOOK YOU THERE!... LUCKILY THERE'S A TELEPHONE BOOTH NEAR AT HAND... LONG LIVE THE G.P.O.
SO THE DIDDYMEN RING FOR HELP...
SEND OUT THE ST. BERNARD'S TO 'PENGUIN PEAK'... WE'RE IN DIFFICULTIES!
DO WHAT?.. YOU MEAN YOU WANT US TO COME OUT IN THIS CHILLY WEATHER? YOU'LL BE LUCKY OLD CHAP!
GUESS WHAT, YOU FELLOWS.. SOME IDIOTS ARE STUCK OUT IN THE SNOW AND WANT TO KNOW IF WE'LL JOLLY WELL TREK OUT AND RESCUE THEM..
HAW! HAW! THEY'VE GOT ANOTHER THINK COMING.. I'M AS WARM AS A WHIPPIT IN A WICKER BASKET, BLOWED IF I'M GOING OUT IN A BLIZZARD!
THE ST. BERNARD'S HAVE HUNG UP. AFTER ALL WE'VE DONE FOR THEM! LUXURY HAS MADE THEM LAZY!
WE WE'RE BARKING UP THE WRONG TREE HELPING THOSE UNGRATEFUL HOUNDS.. WE SHOULD HAVE BUILT A HOME FOR STRAY DIDDYMEN!

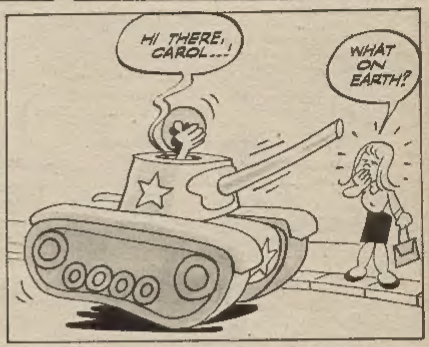
Don't miss the fabulous free Ken Dodd mask in next week's issue!

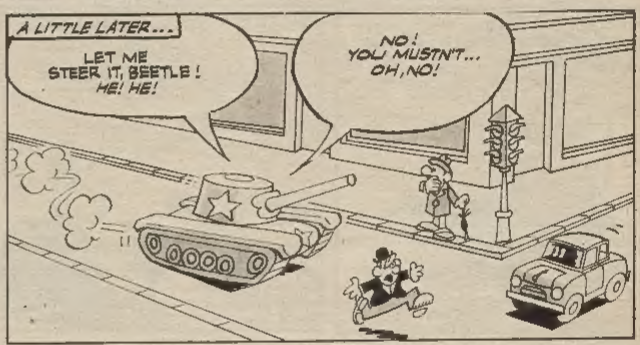
BEETLE BAILEY

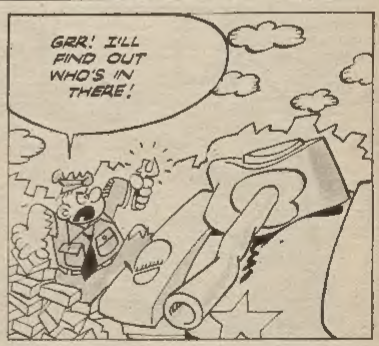


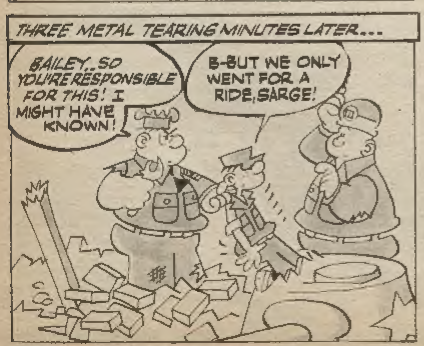


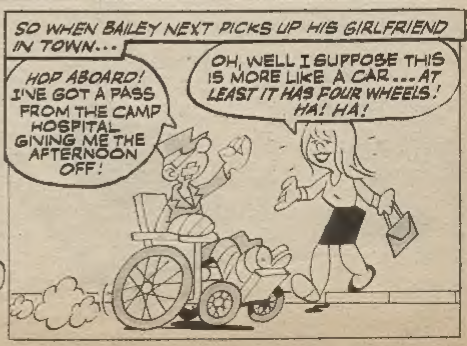









THREE METAL TEARING MINUTES LATER...
BAILEY... SO YOU'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS! I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN!
B-BUT WE ONLY WENT FOR A RIDE, SARGE!


SO WHEN BAILEY NEXT PICKS UP HIS GIRLFRIEND IN TOWN...
HOP ABOARD! I'VE GOT A PASS FROM THE CAMP HOSPITAL GIVING ME THE AFTERNOON OFF!
OH, WELL I SUPPOSE THIS IS MORE LIKE A CAR... AT LEAST IT HAS FOUR WHEELS! HA! HA!

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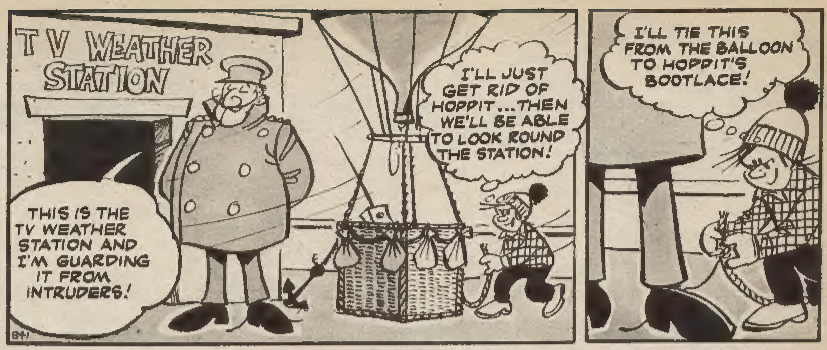
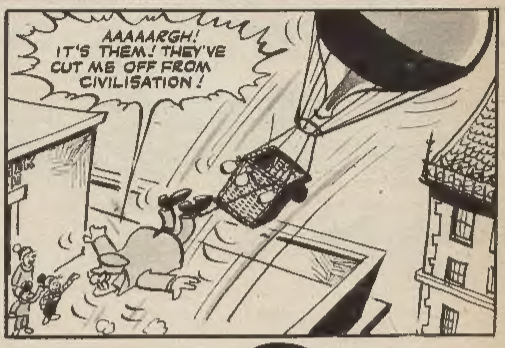
Maximum mirth from our military misfits in next week's special issue!

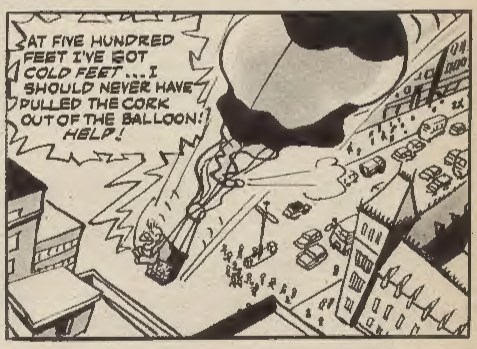
TV TERRORS


TV WEATHER STATION
THIS IS THE TV WEATHER STATION AND I'M GUARDING IT FROM INTRUDERS!
I'LL JUST GET RID OF HOPPIT... THEN WE'LL BE ABLE TO LOOK ROUND THE STATION!
I'LL TIE THIS FROM THE BALLOON TO HOPPIT'S BOOTLACE!

THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO GO UP IN THE WEATHER BALLOON TODAY .. THAT CHAP THERE HAS AGREED TO TAKE YOUR PLACE!
GOOD SHOW... THAT'S JOLLY NICE OF HIM! IT'S FREEZING TODAY!



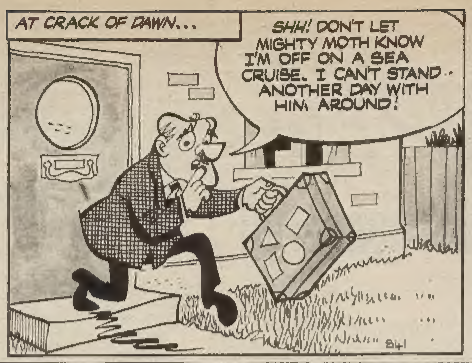
SO IN THE STATION THE WEATHER MAN CONTACTS THE BALLOON...
LOW
HIGH
OKAY YOU UP THERE IN THE BALLOON. WHAT ARE THE CONDITIONS LIKE AT 1,000 FEET?

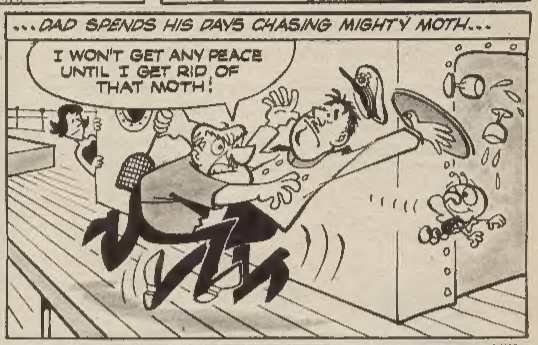


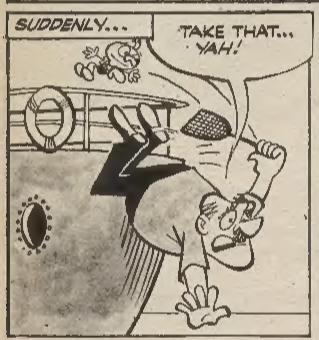
... AND HERE AT ONE FOOT ABOVE THE GROUND IN THE WEATHER OFFICE IT IS FREEZING OWING TO LARGE HOLES IN THE WALLS AND ROOF!
HA! HA! HA! I THINK HOPPIT IS IN FOR A STORMY RECEPTION WHEN THE TELEVISION BOSSES FIND OUT ABOUT THIS!
HAW! HAW!
HO! HO!

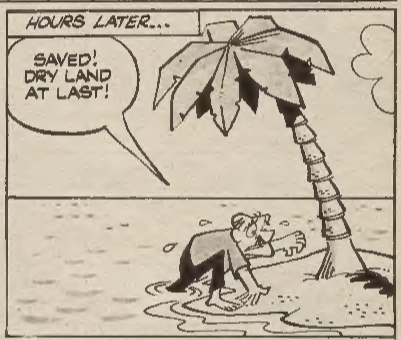
Next week the Terrors try to get the autograph of baby star Ga Ga Gabor!

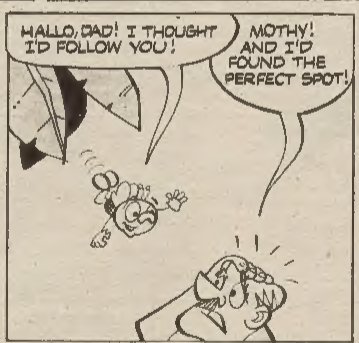
MIGHTY MOTH

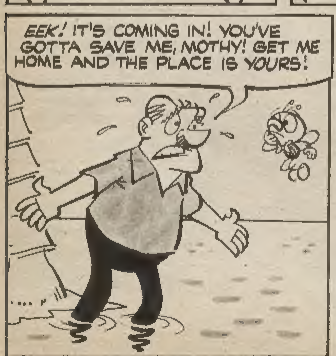


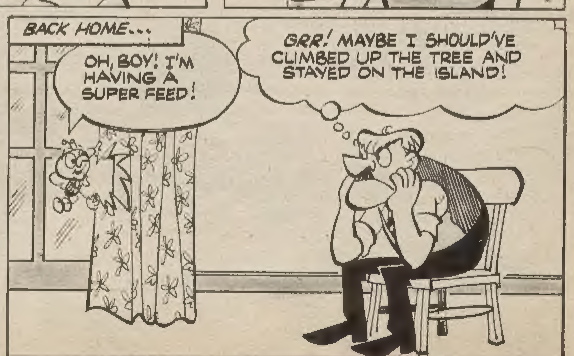












Explosive laughs next week when Dad dabbles with dynamite!

SKIPPY
the bush kangaroo

SONNY and Skippy are marooned on some hot rocks during a bush fire. They are out of reach of the fire, but the rocks are so hot they cannot keep still. And Jerry's helicopter is out of action . . . !

HEY, I'VE GOT IT! YOU COULD LEAP BACK TO THOSE ROCKS THE WAY YOU LEAPED DOWN TO US, SKIPPY---AND CARRY A LIFE-LINE TO SONNY. LEMME FIND A LINE...

MATT FINDS A LINE AND ATTACHES IT TO SKIPPY...
AWAY YER GO, SKIPPY--- IF SONNY'S GOT THE GUMP TO TIE THIS ROUND ONE OF THOSE ROCKS, HE CAN SLIDE DOWN IT OVER ALL THAT HOT GROUND...

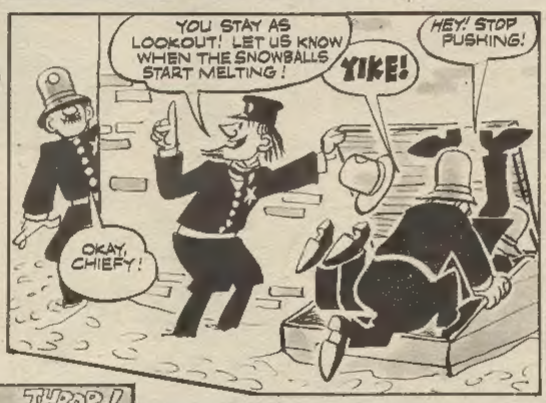
YOU'RE JUST ABOUT IN TIME, SKIPPY, MY BOOTS ARE NEARLY ON FIRE. BUT I KNOW DAD'S GOING TO HAUL THIS LINE TAUT AS SOON AS I'VE GOT IT MADE FAST...

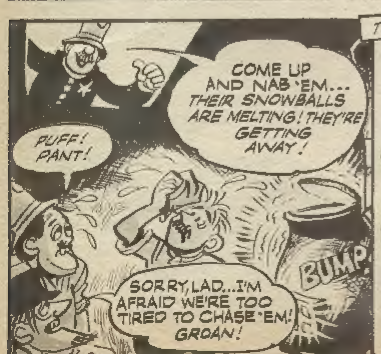
YOU'VE MADE IT, SON--- I RECKON YOU DESERVE A NICE ICE-CREAM FROM THE FRIDGE!
I'LL PUT MY FEET IN IT, DAD--- AND SKIPPY WOULD LIKE TOO AS WELL!
SQUEAK! SQUEAK! SQUEAK!

Based on the ABC Television series.

Next week sees the start of a great new Skippy adventure!

Bob Monkhouse's MAD MOVIES featuring The Keystone Kops




COME UP AND NAB 'EM... THEIR SNOWBALLS ARE MELTING! THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!
PUFF! PANT!
BUMP
SORRY, LAD...I'M AFRAID WE'RE TOO TIRED TO CHASE 'EM! GROAN!

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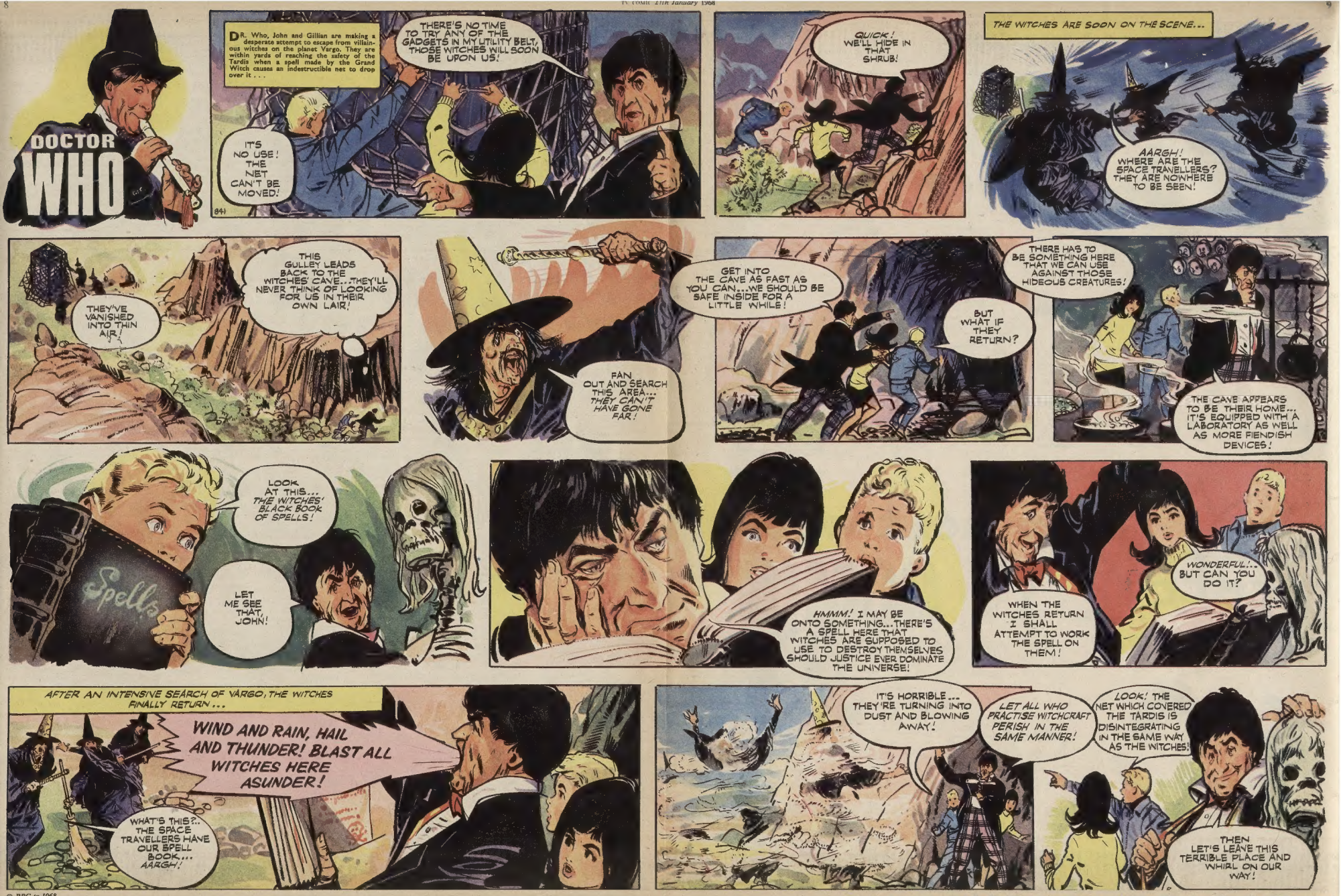
Next week the Kops kan't kope with the krooks!


DOCTOR WHO
DR. Who, John and Gillian are making a desperate attempt to escape from villainous witches on the planet Vargo. They are within yards of reaching the safety of the Tardis when a spell made by the Grand Witch causes an indestructible net to drop over it . . .
THERE'S NO TIME TO TRY ANY OF THE GADGETS IN MY UTILITY BELT, THOSE WITCHES WILL SOON BE UPON US!
IT'S NO USE! THE NET CAN'T BE MOVED!
841
QUICK! WE'LL HIDE IN THAT SHRUB!
THE WITCHES ARE SOON ON THE SCENE...
AARGH! WHERE ARE THE SPACE TRAVELLERS? THEY ARE NOWHERE TO BE SEEN!
THEY'VE VANISHED INTO THIN AIR!
THIS GULLEY LEADS BACK TO THE WITCHES' CAVE... THEY'LL NEVER THINK OF LOOKING FOR US IN THEIR OWN LAIR!
FAN OUT AND SEARCH THIS AREA... THEY CAN'T HAVE GONE FAR!
GET INTO THE CAVE AS FAST AS YOU CAN... WE SHOULD BE SAFE INSIDE FOR A LITTLE WHILE!
BUT WHAT IF THEY RETURN?
THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING HERE THAT WE CAN USE AGAINST THOSE HIDEOUS CREATURES!
THE CAVE APPEARS TO BE THEIR HOME... IT'S EQUIPPED WITH A LABORATORY AS WELL AS MORE FIENDISH DEVICES!
LOOK AT THIS... THE WITCHES' BLACK BOOK OF SPELLS!
Spells
LET ME SEE THAT, JOHN!
HMMM! I MAY BE ONTO SOMETHING... THERE'S A SPELL HERE THAT WITCHES ARE SUPPOSED TO USE TO DESTROY THEMSELVES SHOULD JUSTICE EVER DOMINATE THE UNIVERSE!
WONDERFUL!... BUT CAN YOU DO IT?
WHEN THE WITCHES RETURN I SHALL ATTEMPT TO WORK THE SPELL ON THEM!
AFTER AN INTENSIVE SEARCH OF VARGO, THE WITCHES FINALLY RETURN...
WIND AND RAIN, HAIL AND THUNDER! BLAST ALL WITCHES HERE ASUNDER!
WHAT'S THIS?.. THE SPACE TRAVELLERS HAVE OUR SPELL BOOK... AARGH!
IT'S HORRIBLE... THEY'RE TURNING INTO DUST AND BLOWING AWAY!
LET ALL WHO PRACTISE WITCHCRAFT PERISH IN THE SAME MANNER!
LOOK! THE NET WHICH COVERED THE TARDIS IS DISINTEGRATING IN THE SAME WAY AS THE WITCHES!
THEN LET'S LEAVE THIS TERRIBLE PLACE AND WHIRL ON OUR WAY!

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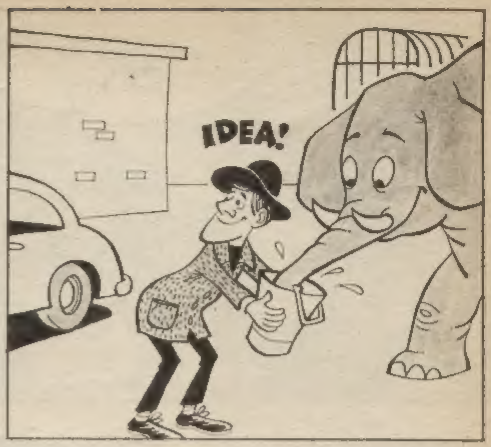
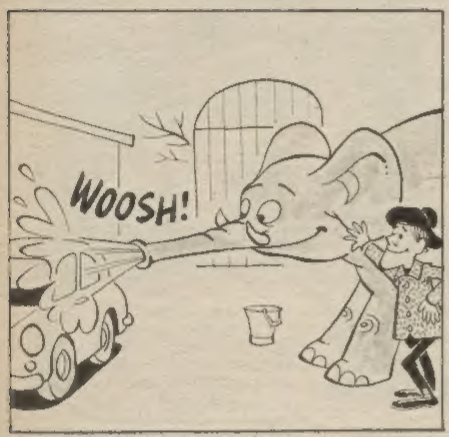
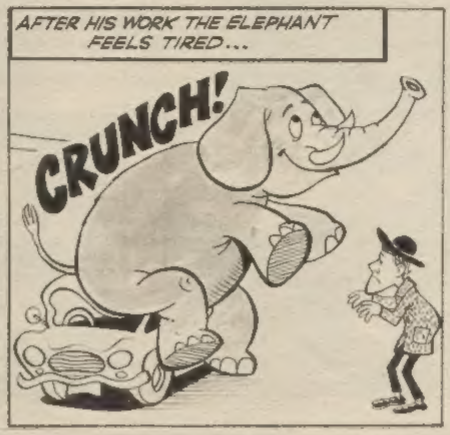
Starting next week! A thrilling new story with Dr. Who tackling the Cybermen!







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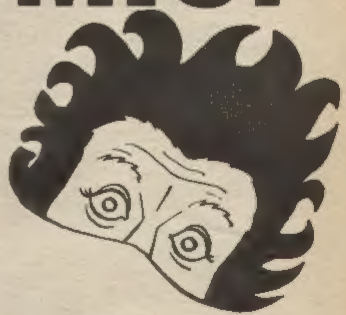
A super Ken Dodd mask. Don't miss this tattifilarious free gift to be followed in the next issue by a set of Ken Dodd teeth.



plus

Two new hilarious features begin next week! *Laurel and Hardy, straight from your TV screens! The top laughter-makers of all time will appear each week in their own side-splitting adventures.*

Basil Brush. *After his great success on BBC tv, Basil is a 'must' for all TV fans. Don't miss his barmy exploits in next week's exciting issue.*

From next Monday, Price 7d.

HOW

How did cavemen see in the dark?

WALNUTS and Brazil nuts contain oil and early cavemen used them as torches simply by lighting one end of the kernel.

How strong are your fingers?

If you don't use them properly, they can be surprisingly weak.

For instance, take a matchstick and place it across the top knuckle of your middle finger. Now put your index finger and fourth finger on top of the match and press down.

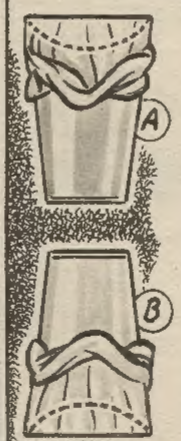
You will find you cannot break the matchstick.

How does the weight of snow compare with water?

ALTHOUGH snow is formed from water it weighs very much less. A cubic foot of water weighs just over 62 lbs. while a cubic foot of freshly fallen snow only weighs between 5 and 12 lbs.

How can you 'boil' water without heat?

Fill a glass with water and cover it with a handkerchief soaked in water. Push down the centre to form a well (A) invert the glass, (B) then take it with your left hand, as shown, (C) and air pressure will make the cloth go upwards inside the glass. You say, "When I put my finger on the glass I will make the water boil!" Sure enough as you do so, streams of bubbles begin rising.



When you exert pressure with your finger on the base of the glass it slides downward causing the handkerchief to slide upwards on the outside of the glass, thus lowering the cloth inside the glass to form a vacuum. The vacuum draws air through the handkerchief and creates the illusion of boiling water.

How can you balance an egg on its end?

THERE are several ways of doing this, including tapping the end gently, on the table to make a flat base on which it can stand, but try this way.

Put a little pile of salt on the table, so that the egg will easily stand up in it. Once the egg is securely fixed, gently blow away the salt. You will blow away all the salt except the few grains on which the egg is actually standing, but the egg will remain upright.

Reader John Shinnick of St. Helens, Lancs., writes . . .

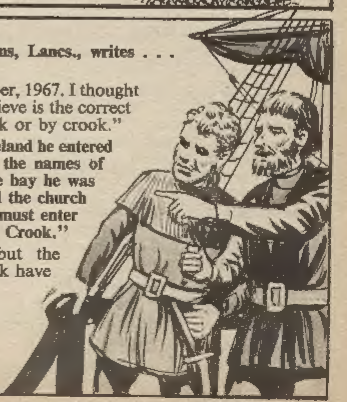
Dear Sir,

Re: TV Comic dated 9th December, 1967. I thought you would like to know what I believe is the correct explanation of the saying "by hook or by crook."

When Strongbow was invading Ireland he entered Waterford Harbour. On enquiring the names of two landmarks on either side of the bay he was answered, "The tower of Hook and the church of Crook." "Then," he said, "we must enter and take the town by Hook or by Crook."

Hook lighthouse still exists but the actual Tower, and church of Crook have long since gone.

Yours sincerely,
John Shinnick.



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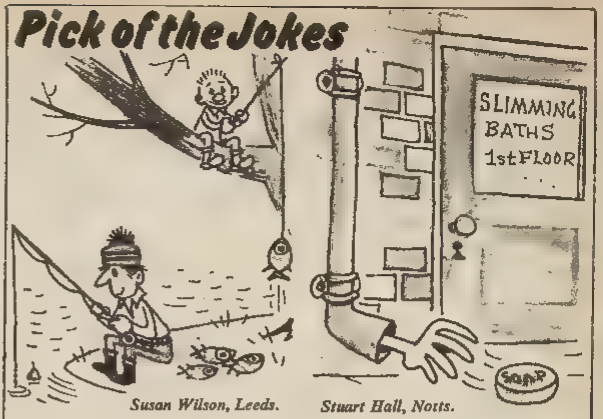
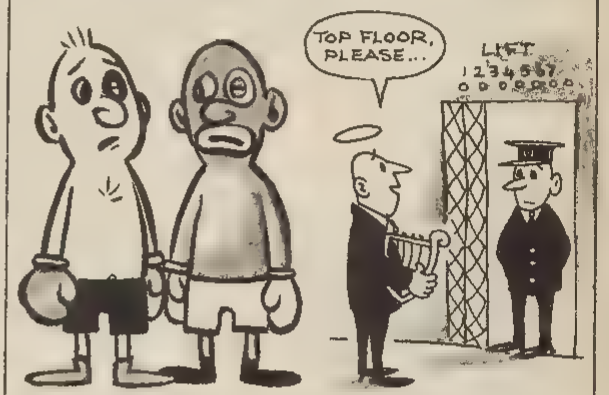
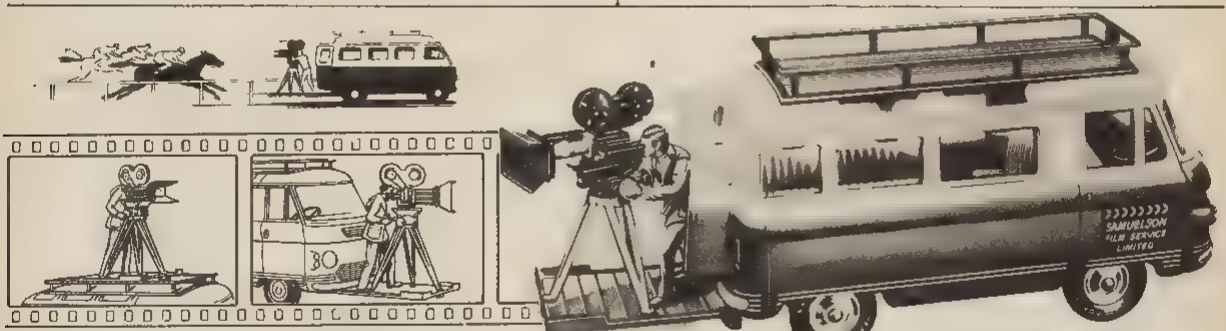


Susan Wilson, Leeds. *Stuart Hall, Notts.*



Robert Stapleton, Berks. *Michael Powell, Shropshire.*



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All models from Corgi are realistically designed to look and work just like the real thing. Take a look at these two.

Commer Mobile Camera Van

This mobile unit van is for filming on location. The cameraman — with his camera and tripod - can work from the front or back of the vehicle, or from the roof. And, of course, the rear doors open. How's that for realism!

Dodge "Kew Fargo" Tipper Truck

This powerful truck features 'hydraulic' jacks which hold the tipper when in a raised position. The bonnet opens to reveal a perfectly detailed engine.

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Dodge "Kew Fargo" Tipper Truck
No. 483 Length 5⅜" Price: 8/3

CORGI TOYS

Tivvy

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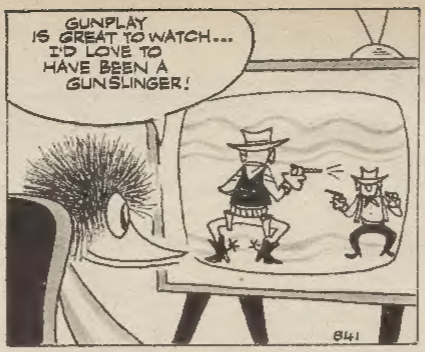

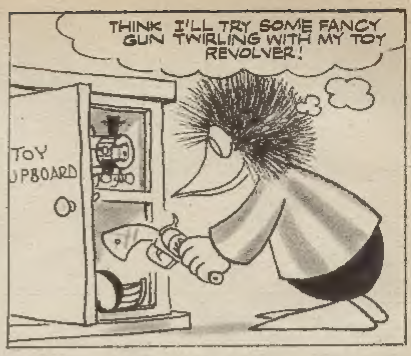

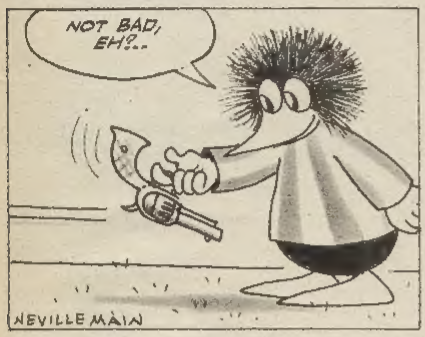

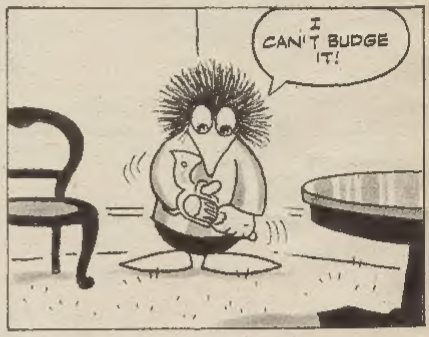

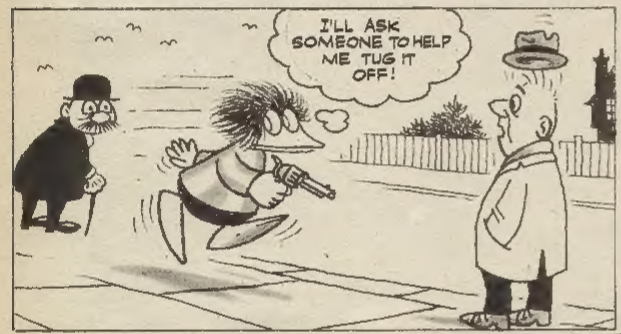

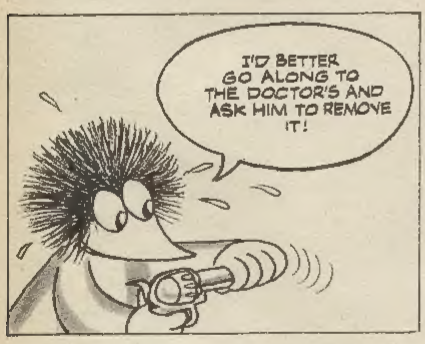

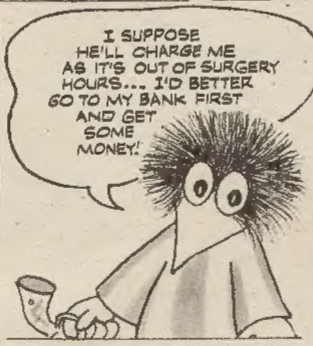

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ORLANDO

ORLANDO and Rory MacTavish are imprisoned in a cavern by the evil inventor of a huge robot. The robot has completed a series of dramatic tests, proving its ability to commit big crimes successfully. The inventor decides to dispose of Orlando and Rory unaware that Steve lurks in hiding nearby . . .

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DESTROY THEM. ... I'LL OPERATE THE LASER GUN!
IT'S TIME TO MAKE MY MOVE!
TAKE THE WEIGHT OFF YOUR FEET, CHUM!
AAH!
THIS SHOULD BRING YOUR GAME TO A HALT!
THE ROBOT HAS STOPPED IN ITS TRACKS.. I WONDER WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW ITS CONTROLS ARE SMASHED?
NEARBY THE INVENTOR IS REGAINING CONSCIOUSNESS...
HURRY, STEVE... THE ROBOT'S GOING BERSERK!
THOSE INTERFERING CHARACTERS ARE GOING TO BE SORRY THEY MEDDLED IN MY AFFAIRS!
THE ROBOT'S TURNING TOWARDS ITS MASTER!
DON'T MOVE, GENTLEMEN... I HAVE ENOUGH BULLETS FOR ALL OF YOU!
STOP! STOP! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? I AM YOUR MASTER!

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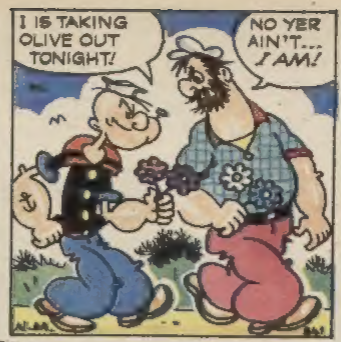
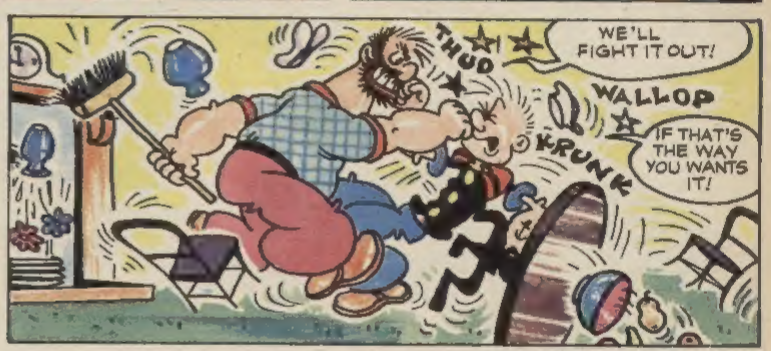
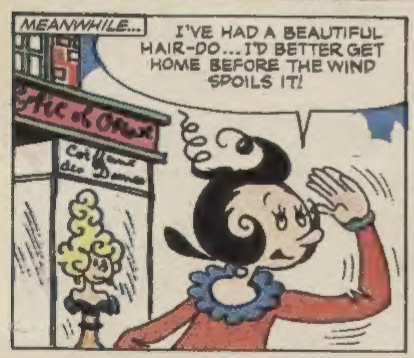
IT'S FINISHED OFF THE INVENTOR.. BUT NOW THE MONSTER'S OUT OF CONTROL THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT IT'LL DO NEXT.
I THINK IT'S GOING TO COME AT US! GET READY TO DIVE INTO THE LAKE!
IT'S SHUDDERING LIKE MAD AND GETTING WORSE! ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN!
INCREDIBLE! THE ROBOT IS DESTROYING ITSELF IN A FIT OF MECHANICAL MADNESS!
THE DANGER IS OVER... THE HIGHLANDS HAVE BEEN RID OF A GREAT EVIL!
A LITTLE LATER..
LET'S GET BACK TO MY MANSION AND PICK UP SOME EXPLOSIVES..
I WON'T REST EASY UNTIL THE MOUTH OF THAT METAL MONSTER'S TOMB IS SEALED FOREVER!
THAT GOES FOR US TOO, RORY!

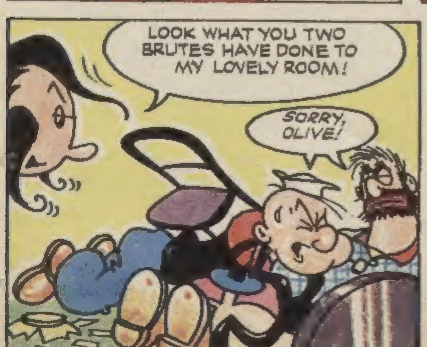
Don't miss the new all-action Orlando story which starts next week!

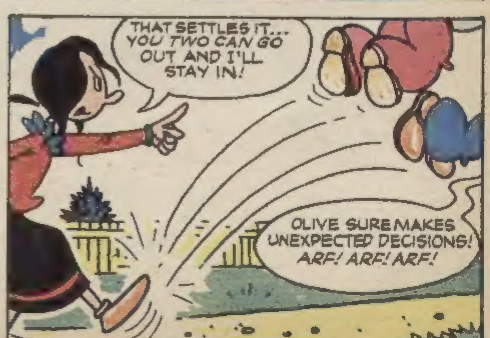


A LITTLE LATER, INSIDE OLIVE'S HOUSE
I'M GOING OUT WITH OLIVE TONIGHT...YOU CAN STAY AND LOOK AFTER SWEE'PEA!
THAT'S ALL I KIN STANDS CAUSE I CAN'T STANDS NO MORE!









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